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TITLES IN CANADA

The recent suggestion of the Premier of Ontario that the conferring of titles should be resumed in Canada, has fallen flat in the Dominion. Public sentiment does not appear to favor it, though there can be no doubt that there are both men and women in Canada who would be delighted if they could get the opportunity to have prefixed to their names a title purporting to come from the king. We know this particularly from the bewailing that took place at the close of the great war. At that time, very many Knights and Ladies of Honour were created in Great Britain and in Australia, and other parts of the empire, because of services performed during the conflict, and it is an ascertained fact that a list of favored ones, containing men and women in every phase of importance in Canada, was prepared by the government then in power, and was ready for submission to the authorities in Great Britain when a parliamentary bombshell in the shape of the resolution brought forward by Mr. Nickle was explod ed, the House of Commons, by a large majority, going on record against the further conferring of titles in the Dominion. We recognize however, how disappointed the prospective Knights and Dames were. There is no prospect of Parliament going back on the stand then taken, but meantime widows and spinsters are not failing to embrace every opportunity presenting itself to share the honor of knighthood with the steadily disappearing titled fraternity.

It is interesting to note that from the earliest days of British rule in this country there has been a disposition to maintain titles—even hereditary distinctions. As early as 1789, the British Government had under consideration an aristocratic provision in the constitution, under which it was proposed to place the newly acquired territories. And Simcoe, who subsequently had a distinguished career as the first governor of Upper Canada, wrote in 1791 that he "hoped to have a hereditary Council with some mark of nobility." In an official despatch Governor Simcoe remarked: "It has always been considered that the principal cause of the American revolt was the want of an aristocratic power, which might afford a legal provision for the fair claims and just ascendancy of honourable ambition, and not suffer it to waste its energy in dissatisfaction and discontent." The British Government endorsed this view of the Governor, and favored "a respectable aristocracy," especially as "a support and safeguard to the monarchy," and as a check over the misconduct of the governors and on the democratic spirit which prevailed in the Assemblies. Lord Dorchester did not favor hereditary aristocracy, especially because of "the fluctuating state of property in these provinces;' but Pitt, on introducing the bill to provide the constitution for Canada, declared it was proposed to "annex" the dignity of a member of Council to every title of honour that might be conferred on the inhabitant of each province. Fox, in appointing, said "it seemed to him peculiarly absurd to introduce hereditary honours in America, where those artificial distinctions stank in the nostrils of the natives." The clause providing hereditary legislators was, however, carried by a vote of two to one. It is noteworthy, however, that though the proposal became law, no governor and no government ever put it into force. In view of the so-called Family Compact that ruled the country prior to the establishment of responsible government this is all the more noteworthy. Nor has the experiment of calling Canadians to the House of Lords or granting them baronetcies, and thereby recognizing the hereditary principle, been attended with very marked results. In some instances, as has also been the case in Great Britain,we have seen a hereditary title conferred for noteworthy public service, succeeded to by a son or a grandson entirely unable to maintain the dignity—sometimes living in obscurity—and there has been a concensus of opinion that in our age, and with our democratic sentiments, such a title is an anachronism, and that "a man's a man, for a' that."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Hock der Greys! — as a German would remark.

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The position of the Canadian National Railways in financial circles is very pleasing to the people of Canada, when it becomes known that they are now paying their way, interest charges and everything. When it is remembered the position that line was in eight years ago it seems marvelous that usch a change could be brought about. The Canadian Pacific Railway is also in a favorable financial position, which is also gratifying to the Canadian people. The authors of the "Whispers of Death" circulated three years ago have been silenced and in its place appear words of optimism that Canada is opening on a period of great prosperity.

The man who laid off his flannels last week is lying under woollens now.

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A London man owns a parrot that is 105 years old. Dear me! Dear me! If some of the parrots in Canada lived to that age the country would become depopulated.

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It seemed that no organizntioa in town was going to take up the 1st of July celebration and the Orange Lodge is to be commended for their action. While the celebration will be under the auspices of the L.O.L. all the people of town are invited to assist with the festivities.

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Letters appearing in the daily papers are condemning Miss A. C. Macphail for her utterances on war and the utterance of the boy Premier, Earl Lautenslager, in his phrase, "brave enough to be cowards", if another defensive war came. While war is condemned by everyone, there are times when a man rises to the occasion in defence of his manhood, and incidentally his country. Pride in self and country run together.

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The Owen Sound Greys have at last won the coveted cup for which they have been fighting hard for the past month or so, the Memorial Cup, emblematic of the Junior Championship of Canada. Their defeat of the Port Arthur juniors is unique in the annals of hockey in Canada. The first game resulted in a win for Owen Sound by the score of 5-4, and the second game went into overtime ten minutes before a decision could be secured, and Owen Sound came out on top 5-3. During the series the Greys went the whole game, including the overtime, without relief, and the boys seemed to be as fresh then as when they started. At the end of the third period in the last game they tired somewhat, but they came back on wih a new lease of life and a punch that awarded them three goals in the ten minutes of hockey. The boys from the Scenic City are to be congratulated upon their accomplishments. Owen Sound can boast of the best little team of hockey players that has ever been produced. Their team play was excellent, and that, no doubt, was one reason of their success.

The Late Mrs. C. Turner

There passed away on Thursday March 17th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Benson, West Back Line, Artemesia, an old and highly esteemed resident of Artemesia, in the person of Mrs. Chas. Turner, formerly Ann Gordon, after a short illness of five days with pneumonia, at the age of 73 years, 2 months and 8 days.

Mrs. Turner was born in the town of Turiff, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, on January 9th, 1854, and came to York County with her parents at the age of three months. On April 20th, 1875, she was married to the late Charles Turner, who predeceased her on March 3rd, 1924. In the spring of 1879 she moved with her late husband to the 12th Con., Artemesia, where she has since resided. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss three daughters and two sons, namely: Miss Betsy Turner, Rock Mills; Emily (Mrs. John H. McGruther) of Orange, N.J.; Charles E., of Eugenia; Willmer G., Kimberley, and Mary (Mrs. Geo. Benson) of Markdale. Three sisters and one brother, and eleven grandchildren also survive.

The funeral was held on Saturday, March 19th, and was largely attended by sympathizing friends and neighbors. The service in St. John's United Church, Flesherton, was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Harrower. Interment took place in Flesherton.

The floral offerings were beautiful, consisting of a pillow from her children; wreath from sisters and brother; sheaf from nieces and nephews of Toronto, and a sheaf from a niece in New York city, N.Y., sheaf of red roses from Miss A. Burritt; wreath from the neighbors of Eugenia and a basket from Stanley Lodge, A. F.&A.M., West Toronto. Six grandchildren of the deceased acted as flower bearers. The pallbearers were Messrs. A. Carruthers, W. Myers H. Walton, W. Graham, R. Gorley and J. Wilkinson.

Friends from a distance were Mrs. John McGruther, Orange, N.J.; Miss Isabell Gordon, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. J. Wamsley and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gordon of Toronto; Mr. J. Turner of Paisley, and Mr. J. Wilkinson and daughter of Duncan.

There came the day that we were
called to gather round her bed;
And in her eyes there gleamed again
the old time tender light.
That told she had been waiting just
to know we were all right
—And then she went to sleep.

BORN

HENDERSON—To Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson, 1094 5th Ave., N. W., Moosejaw. on February 28th, the gift of a son (Wm. James.)

SCHAFER — In Stratford on Sunday, March 27th, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Schafer of Flesherton the gift of a son.

A grade cow belonging to Mr. John Marshall, con. 2, Normanby, last week gave birth to three fine healthy calves. Triplets, and all living, is a rare occurrence, but more unusual is the fact that this makes 8 calves born in less than 35 months. Three years ago this cow gave birth to twins, and now triplets. The cow was secured a few years ago from Mr. McCaul of near Mount Forest.

Beautiful Joe

(From the Meaford Express)

The article which appeared recently in the Toronto Daily Star in reference to the proposed publication in Esperanto, of "Beautiful Joe," the pitiful story of a much abused dog, written by Miss Marshall Saunders of Toronto is of special interest here, as "Beautiful Joe" was numbered in the canine citizenship of Meaford for many years. In fact, here, the now famous little black and tan dog, who boasted no pedigree of blue-blooded ancestors but was just "plain dog," completed his long life, the beginning of which was so filled with cruelty and privation, and lies buried in a sheltered corner of the old mill park, on the north side of Edwin street.

Part of "Beautiful Joe's" eventful early life was spent on a Euphrasia farm, near Duncan, and it was there that he first came to the notice of the late Mr. Wm. Moore, who succored the small dog from the ill treatment which he was receiving and took Joe under his own charge for the remainder of his life. All other humankind were treated with mistrust. Naturally so, perhaps, when one recalls the poor cropped ears and tail, which had been one of his inflictions during his former mastership. The boys and girls of thirty years or so ago will remember "Beautiful Joe" as a small dog of very uncertain temper, who looked askance at one and all and from whom it was wisest to keep one's distance. He seemingly never forgot Mr. Moore's association with his deliverance and from this beloved master would not be parted, following him constantly as long as he was able and later, towards the end of his fourteen years, he would accompany Mr. Moore just as far as his old limbs could carry him and then stop, to wait patiently for his return.

The authoress of this world-famed book is a sister of Mr. J. C. Saunders, Deputy Minister of Finance, Ottawa, who is a son-in-law of the late Mr. Moore. It was while a guest in the Moore home that Miss Saunders became acquainted with "Beautiful Joe" and learned his story which she has passed on to her readers, the boys and girls of every country and clime.

Miss Macphail's Prize

Recently Mr. R. G. Holland, principal of Flesherton Public School received a handsome volume entitled "Out of the Wilderness," presented by Miss A. C. Macphail, M.P., as a prize for the school obtaining the greatest number of points at the school fair in proportion to number on the roll. The volume is of verse and will be a welcome addition to the school library. Principal Holland is to be congratulated on the success of the school at the fair.

A case of much interest was that of Neeb vs. Russel Fleet. Mr. Neeb, who is a garage proprietor at Clifford, claimed payment for automobile supplies. Mr. Fleet claimed to have paid the account but did not have a receipt. However, very substantial corroborative evidence was offered on his behalf. and after considerable argument by both sides, his Honor dismissed the claim of Mr. Neeb with costs. Judge Sutherland pointed out that while he had dismissed the case and thus upheld the contentions of Mr. Fleet, he strongly advised always getting a receipt when accounts are paid. —Hanover Post.

"The Game of Walking" has been speeded up, says an automobile advertisement. You're right, it has! Especially at the street crossings.

Her Father: "If you marry my daughter would you expect me to pay the bills?" Suitor—"No sir. As soon as I stop courting her I'll be able to pay them myself."

A Utah man confesses that he has deserted nine wives. It looks more like a miraculous escape.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER of the estate of WILLIAM HUMBERSTONE, late of the Township of Euphrasia, in the County of Grey, Farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 56 of the Trustees Act, R.S. O., Chap. 121, that all creditors and others having claims or demands against the estate of the said William Humberstone, who died on or about the second day of February, 1926, at the Township of Euphrasia, aforesaid, are required, on or before the 1st day of April, 1927, to send by post, prepaid, or delivered to the solicitors for the executors of the last will and testament of the said deceased, their christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars in writing of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security, if any, held by them.

And take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

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